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Via Electronic Filing
Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: XM Radio Inc.

Ex Parte Presentation EB Docket No. 04-296

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 9, 2006, Anthony Masiello, Senior Vice President, Broadcast Operations of XM Satellite Radio Inc. ("XM"); John Archer, Vice President, Operations of XM; and the undersigned met with the FCC staff members listed below to discuss XM's provision of state and local EAS alerts. XM also distributed and discussed the attached presentation during the meeting.

Bob Cannon - Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis

Gregory Cooke - Enforcement Bureau
Stephen Duall - International Bureau
Chip Fleming - International Bureau
Bonnie Gay - Enforcement Bureau
Arthur Lechtman - International Bureau

Maureen McLaughlin - Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis

Robert Nelson - International Bureau

Tim Peterson - Office of the Managing Director

Chris Pietila - International Bureau

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Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/Bruce D. Jacobs
Bruce D. Jacobs

cc: FCC staff attendees

XM Emergency Alert/Situational Awareness Capabilities

June 2006





XM Satellite Radio Summary

- Content Broad appeal across all demographic groups with a focus on 100% commercial-free music lineup and featuring content such as Major League Baseball, XM Public Radio, Bob Edwards, Bob Dylan, Oprah and XM Instant Traffic, Weather & Alerts
- Over 6.5 million subscribers
- Over 5 million XM-equipped vehicles manufactured to date
- Extending Technology Lead Next generation products, featuring portable and Plug & Play devices, to be in market soon



XM Satellite Radio System

- Established Broadcast Network
 - Two high-power Boeing-built satellites operating in the S-Band frequency cover the continental US and coastal waters
 - Extensive terrestrial repeater network in metro areas
 - **State-of-the-Art Broadcast Operations Center**
- Low Cost, High-Quality Receivers most less than \$130
- System Security
 - **XM** maintains ownership of its system— satellite/repeater network, broadcast operations center, XM-developed receiver chipset.
 - System incorporates sophisticated capabilities in data encryption, conditional access control and secure individual addressability for every receiver.
 - XM can control its satellites from four geographically diverse locations.
- System Redundancy -- Back-up broadcast operations center located in a region geographically-separate from XM's Headquarters/Primary Broadcast Operations Center



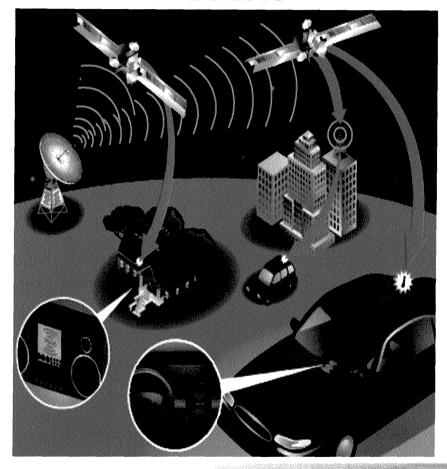


XM Satellite Radio System

- When and where terrestrial systems are down, XM's network can still deliver information to end-users
 - in the event of a power outage, user would need a battery-powered XM radio, e.g., car-installed radios, "boomboxes"
- XM also working to develop a Crank Radio capable of receiving XM signal in the event of power outages



UNRIVALED SIGNAL DELIVERY



In place today – over 6.5 Million users

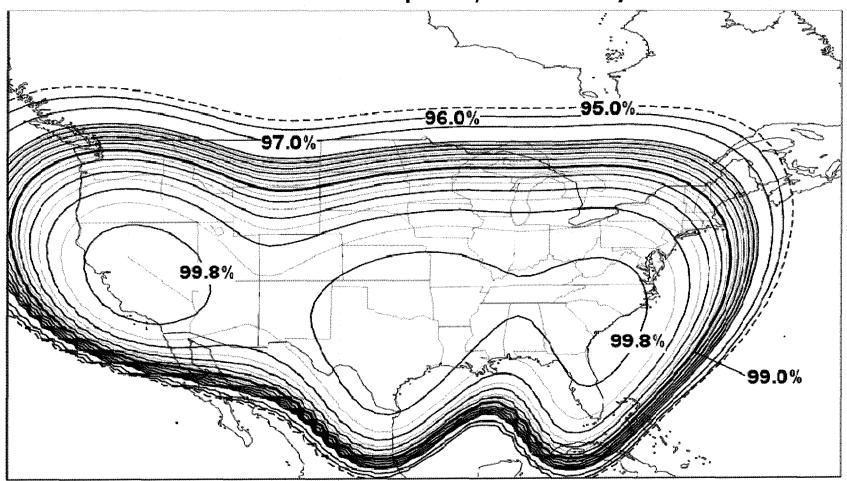
- Uninterrupted CONUS coverage
- Unrivaled service availability
- S-Band XM Signal robustness
- Exceptional XM Signal strength
- XM Terrestrial Repeater Network
- Space & Time Diversity
- Proven, low cost XM Receivers
- Small, omni-direction XM Antennas
- End-to-end All-Digital system
- State-of-art XM Broadcast Facility
- Optimum solution for voice and data broadcast to a mobile receiver = XM!





Satellites Availability

- **■** Satellites provide 99% availability to at least 95% of the continental U.S. population
- In areas where XM has terrestrial repeaters, the availability level is over 99%







Summary of Current XM Emergency Alert/ Situational Awareness Broadcast Activities

- XM has committed to transmit national Emergency Alert System (EAS) messages on all of its channels and state/local alerts on the appropriate Instant Traffic, Weather & Alert channels (which operate on a 24 / 7 basis)
 - XM has a newsroom on-site, fully-staffed with reporters providing continuously updated reports for each of XM's Instant Traffic, Weather & Alert channels covering 21 metro areas across the nation
 - Metro areas covered include Los Angeles, San Francisco, Dallas, Chicago, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Wash DC, Miami
- XM's Emergency Alert Channel (CH. 247) provides critical, timely information in the event of a regional or national disaster. XM receives such information from sources such as FEMA, NOAA, HHS, American Red Cross. One who buys an XM radio (or whose car has one) automatically receives this channel (i.e., need not be a paying subscriber to get this channel)





Summary of Current XM Emergency Alert/ Situational Awareness Broadcast Activities

- XM's Instant Traffic, Weather & Alert channels air Amber Alerts and also receive other types of alerts directly from local governments (including counties within the Washington, DC and New York City areas)
- During the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, XM aired the "Red Cross Radio" channel, which enabled the Red Cross to provide its workers and the listening public up-to-date disaster relief information; this channel also operated on a 24 / 7 basis. XM also donated radios to Red Cross relief workers and aid stations
- XM also provides real-time weather information to specialty receivers with graphical displays within the marine and general aviation community





The Task: Situational Awareness

- Accurate / timely information is extremely valuable to geographically diverse mobile users.
- <u>Challenge</u>: Providing real-time information to decisionmakers and field agents who may be in disparate locations (on land, on sea, in air).
- XM's Capability: Reaching all decision-makers and all field agents (or a defined subset of this group) simultaneously.





The Task: Emergency / Crises Command and Control

- Timely Information Broadcasts are key to keeping diverse disciplines / agencies on the same page
 - As the first reports from ground zero are received they can be transmitted to anywhere to help alleviate confusion early in an event.
 - Direct multiple resources simultaneously; direct assets to where they are needed.
 - Quickly reallocate resources as new information becomes available.
- Inter-agency cooperation XM system can provide Federal, State and Local authorities with the same information in real-time.





XM Signal Security/ System Redundancy

- Secure, bandwidth-efficient method of configuring receivers to ACCESS service.
- Individually addressable radios enable XM or client to approve delivery of any or all of our service using a robust and secure over-the-air key distribution scheme.
 - Government Agency can deliver a voice or data message to an individual radio or a select group of radios.
 - State-of-the-art encryption ensures that no one else receives the message.
 - ► Government Agency can define which of the over 170 commercial channels broadcast by XM each radio can receive (e.g., program the radio to receive only news channels and Government Agency's private channel).
- XM has a back-up broadcast operations center (located in a region geographically-separate from XM's headquarters) that can receive and uplink to our satellites the same programming handled by XM's primary broadcast operations center in D.C.





Additional Information



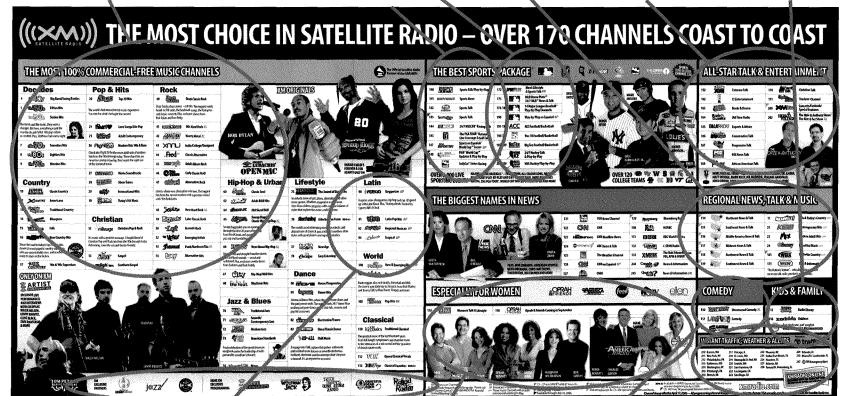
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Sports: Expanded Regional News, Talk and Music

The Most Play-by-Play Sports
The Most Sports Talk

Talk Stars:

Bill O'Reilly, Al Franken, Dr. Laura, Opie & Anthony Kids & Family: Award-Winning Kids and Family Programming



Aligned with Major Music Brands

The Most Commercial-Free

Music (Deep, Diverse Playlist)

Hispanic Music, Sports & News **Especially for Women:**

Oprah & Friends, Ellen DeGeneres, Tyra Banks, Take Five **Creating New Categories:**

Comedy, Book and Drama

21 Dedicated Channels of XM Instant Traffic & Weather





Debut of New XM Products

Portable





■ Pioneer Helix & Samsung Inno – portable live XM devices with MP3 capabilities

Plug & Play



■ AGT Sportscaster – brand new plug & play XM receiver

Component Audio



■ **Polk Audio XRt12** – Reference XM Satellite Radio Home Tuner

Connect & Play Technology



XM "Passport" – Micro tuner compatible with the universe of XM-enabled devices

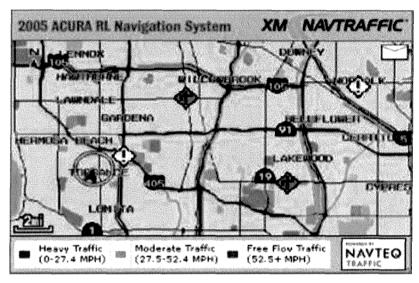




XM NavTraffic

- The nation's first satellite traffic data information service, enhancing the vehicle's navigation system with continuously updated traffic data
- Enables on-board navigation systems to provide personalized traffic information for each driver's needs
- The best available traffic information, aggregated from multiple government and commercial sources
- Adds daily relevance to navigation and helps congestion mitigation
- Widely adopted by leading automotive manufacturers and aftermarket navigation systems providers









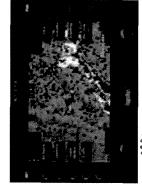




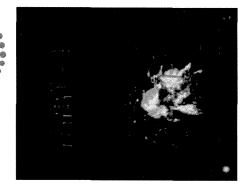




XM WX Satellite Weather







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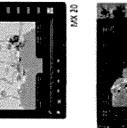
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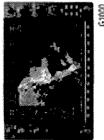
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